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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Craig Bohlken on 5/22/08.

The application has been amended as follows:

- 1) Claim 7 has been canceled, without prejudice.
- 2) In claim 8, line 2, "preferably a human," is deleted.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The closest prior arts are Hu et al and Shiue et al. Hu et al are teaching structurally similar compounds, but do not teach ¹¹C labeling at the N-R1 carbon atom. Shiue et al is teaching ¹¹C labeling at N-R1 atom, but they are not guanidines. There is no motivation to combine the two references to arrive at the claimed compounds. Inasmuch compound are patentable, the method of use claim has been rejoined as per In re Ochiai, 37 USPQ2d 1127.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yvonne Eyler can be reached on (571)272-0871. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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